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Serial No.: 09/487,841 Examiner: Shin-Lin Chen
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AND METHODS FOR EVALUATING RISK OF, PREVENTING, OR
TREATING NEURAL TUBE DEFECTS, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE,
CANCER, AND DOWN'S SYNDROME

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action, mailed March 5, 2001, be extended for three months to and including September 5, 2001.

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